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Cromwell Advertisements

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

FAMILY GROCERS,

WINE, SPIRIT, AND GENERAL MERCHANTS.

We desire to intimate that in order to meet the growing exigencies of our business, we have lately built substantial stone additions to our former premises.

At the urgent request of our numerous customers, we have added to our other branches of business, that of

DRAPERY, CROCKERY, & IRONMONGERY.

We would further notify that, having engaged a Buyer in connection with our business to select special lines consigned from the Home and Melbourne markets, we will in future be in a position to offer such superior advantages to our customers as will not fail to ensure a continuance of their liberal patronage, and, more especially, will command the attention and confidence of the Trade, Runholders, and Large Buyers.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.

Our GROCERY STOCK comprises:

Teas, of excellent flavour, in chests, half-chests, and boxes
Coffees, from the pure bean, ground on the premises
Cocoa, Chocolate, of the best brands
Sugars: crystals of every shade, and crushed loaf
Bacon, Cheese, Butter: weekly supplies from the best dairies
Jams, Jellies, and Pickles

Candles: best brands
Soap: treble crown, blue mottled, household, scented in bars, cakes, and boxes
Vestals, by approved makers
Salt: table, fine, and coarse
Raisins: Muscatels, Sultanias, and Elemes
Oils: salad, castor, and kerosene
Sauces: Lea and Perrins, Mushroom, Nabob, and assorted

TOBACCOS.

Imperial, Aromatic, cable-twist—superior
Cameron's celebrated brands—Havelock, Golden Bar, Venus tens
Barrett's Twist, in quarter-tierces and boxes.

Water Lily, Over the Water, navy sixes
Cut Tobaccos, in pound, half-pound, and quarter-pound tins, and in bulk.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Brandies: Hennessy's, Associated Vineyard, Martell's, in bulk and case
Whiskies: Old Glenury, Islay, Longjohn's, in bulk and case
Rum: Lemon Hart's
Port: Fine old Offley's, six grape
Sherry: Gonzola, six diamond
Gin: J. & K. Geneva, Nectar, and Kummell
Old Tom: Burnett's, Bernard's
Claret: St. Julien's

Moselle: No. 2
Hock: Gold Leaf
Ginger Wine, in bulk and case
Ales: Tennent's, Younger's, and Colonial.
Porter: Blood's, Byass's, Guinness's, and Colonial
Cordials: assorted
Sarsaparilla: Singleton's, Townsend's
Bitters: Selner's, Stoughton's

IRONMONGERY STOCK consists of

Blasting powder and fuse
Gunpowder, caps, and shot
Long and short handled shovels
Spades, sluice forks
Picks and pickhandles
Gold dishes, hose-pipes
Drills and drilling hammers
Manilla and flax ropes
White lead, castor, boiled, and colza oils
Galvanised and corrugated iron
Stoves and piping

Billies and pannikins
Tea-kettles, iron and tin
Galvanised iron buckets and tubs
Iron boilers
Enamelled and tinned stew and saucepans
Axes and axe-handles
Nails, cut and wrought
Tacks, clout and American cut
Garden rakes, hoes, and spades
Cutlery, a large assortment
Carpenters' tools of every description.

CANVAS, SADDLERY, AND BRUSHWARE.

HOLT'S SEWING MACHINES: CABINET AND HAND.

DRAPERY AND CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Suits: silk-mixture, Galatea, Paget, sac
Boys' do.
Trousers and Vests: Mosgiel, silk-mixed, tweed, doeskin
Shirts: white dress, crimeans, Scotch twill, tweed
Pants and undershirts, in flannel, lamb's-wool, merino, and cotton
Hosiery and hats

Dress materials: wineys, French merinos, all-wool plaids, prints
Flannels; Calicos, bleached and unbleached
Blankets, rugs, quilts
Table-covers, bed and toilet-covers.
Cocoa and felt mattings
Hessian, bed-ticking, carpets
Top, waterproof, and tweed coats; etc., etc.

BOOTS & SHOES.

Boots: men's elastic-sides, watertights, half-Wellingtons; Hayward and North British Gum Boots
Women's and children's Boots, Shoes, and Slippers, in calf, kid, and cashmere.

N.B.—All goods in this department are marked at low prices.

CROCKERYWARE.

Breakfast, dinner, and bedroom sets complete
Lamps: parlour, hanging, bracket

China, glass, and earthenware goods of every description

FILTERS, VASES, AND LUSTRES.

FANCY GOODS.

Electro-plated Britannia-metal tea and coffee pots; meerschauum and briar pipes—a choice selection; patent medicines; stationery; perfumery.

COLONIAL PRODUCE: Wheat, Oats, Chaff, Pollard, and Potatoes.

D. A. J. & Co. have been appointed sole agents for the sale of Butel Bros.' superior silk-dressed flour, bran, and pollard; and are prepared to promptly execute all orders within a radius of sixty miles.—FLOUR GUARANTEED. TERMS LIBERAL.

W. TALBOYS'
GROCERY QUOTATIONS.

New Season Tea, 1878-79 (Boxes of 12lb), 23s 6d
Cocoa (pound tins), 1s 6d
Sultanias, 8d per lb
Muscatels, 1s 3d per lb
Jordan Almonds, 2s 6d per lb
Elomes, 7½d per lb
Lemon Peel, 1s 5d per lb
Two-crown Soap, 14s per box
Three-crown Soap, 17s per box
Cheese, 10d per lb

Hams, 10d per lb
Sardines (half-pound tins), 11d
Sardines (quarter-pound tins), 7d
Lobsters, 11d per tin
Salmon, 1s per tin
Oysters, 7d per tin
Pickles, 1s per bottle
Candles 11d per lb
Tainah's Jams, 11d per tin
Marmalade, 11d per tin
Figs, 1s 6d per box

ABOVE PRICES ARE STRICTLY CASH.

Men's Watertights, Elastic Sides and Lace-ups, Colonial Made, 16s 6d and 17s 6d.

Ladies' and Children's Boots (Copper Toes), 6s.

W. TALBOYS, LONDON HOUSE, CROMWELL.

Cromwell Advertisements

GIVING UP BUSINESS.

Having already retired from our other up-country Stores, we have, now that our Mr Arndt is leaving the district, also decided to

GIVE UP OUR CROMWELL BRANCH.

THE WHOLE STOCK,

Consisting of

DRAPERY, IRONMONGERY, GROCERY, ETC.,

(Being the Largest and Best in any up-country town,) will be sold at prices that, we believe, will induce the people of the Cromwell and Dunstan District to make large purchases.

THE PREMISES,

Which would make a first-class Hotel (unless let or sold privately), will be sold by auction.

Persons desirous of purchasing a portion or the whole of the Business will be liberally dealt with.

Also,

VALUABLE SECTIONS AND BUILDINGS,

The Property of Mr Arndt, are in the market, and if not sold privately, will be offered by auction.

I. HALLENSTEIN AND CO.

W. TALBOYS'
PRICE LIST OF

SUMMER DRAPERY, CLOTHING, &C.

Fancy Dress, 10s 6d, 12s 6d and 15s
Good Wineys, 10d, 11d and 1s
French Merinoes, 2s, 2s 6d and 3s
Double-width Plaid, 2s 6d
Black Silks, 60s; Colored, 50s the dress
Black and Colored Lustres, 1s 2d
New Prints, fast colors, 6d, 8d and 10d
Newest patterns in Muslins, 10d and 11d
Latest fashions in Costumes, 17s 6d
Horrock's Calico, 36in, 6s 6d per doz.; Unbleached, 6s
Sheeting, 72in, 1s 6d
Turkish Towels, 13s per doz.
Blankets, all colors, from 15s
Brown Holland, 8d, 10d and 1s
Linen Diaper, 1s, 1s 3d and 1s 6d
Fancy Linen Checks, 11d
Best Flannel, 1s 6d, 1s 9d and 2s
Muslin Curtains, 8s 6d the set
Tweeds, 3s 6d, 4s 6d and 5s 6d
Carpets and Floorcloths

Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing, in Colonial and English Tweeds and make
Suits, 37s 6d, 40s, 45s and 50s
Drill Suits, 25s
Trousers and Vests, 17s 6d, 22s 6d, 25s and 27s 6d
Trousers, Tweed, 12s 6d, 14s 6d, 16s and 18 6d
Coats, 17s 6d, 20s, 25s and 30s; Pilot Cloth, 20s, 25s, and 27s 6d; Holland, 6s 6d and 8s 6d; Silk, 22s 6d
White Moles, 8s 6d; Colored, 10s 6d
Knit Drawers, 6s 6d, 7s 6d and 8s 6d; Mosgiel, 9s 6d; Serge, 7s 6d; Cotton and Merino, 3s, 3s 6d and 4s
Shirts—Flannel, 6s, 6s 6d and 7s 6d; Shepherd's Plaid, 7s 6d, 8s 6d and 9s 6d; Crimean, 6s 6d, 7s 6d and 8s 6d; Linen, 2s 6d, 3s 6d, 4s 6d and 5s 6d
Boys' Knicker Suits, 10s 6d, 15s and 17s 6d
Youths' Suits, 25s, 30s, and 32s 6d.
Boys' Colored Moles, 7s.

MILLINERY, UNDERCLOTHING, FISCHUES AND FANCY GOODS
IN GREAT VARIETY.

Cromwell

NOTICE

The following are the days appointed for holding the Resident Magistrate's and Warden's Courts for the months of January, February, March, April, May and June, 1879, for the Dunstan division of the Otago Goldfields Districts:—

CLYDE	January 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30
"	February 6, 13, 20 and 27
"	March 6, 13, 20 and 27
"	April 3, 10, 17 and 24
"	May 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29
"	June 5, 12, 19 and 26
CROMWELL	January 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31
"	February 7, 14, 21 and 28
"	March 7, 14, 21 and 28
"	April 4, 11, 18 and 25
"	May 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30
"	June 6, 13, 20 and 27
ALEXANDRA	January 13
"	February 10
"	March 10
"	April 7
"	May 5
"	June 2 and 30
[The Office at Alexandra will be open once a fortnight for the transaction of public business.]	
ROXBURGH	January 7
"	February 4
"	March 4
"	April 1 and 29
"	May 27
"	June 24
BLACKS	January 14
"	February 11
"	March 11
"	April 8
"	May 6
"	June 3
W. LAWRENCE SIMPSON, Warden and R.M.	

HENRICH BEHRENS,
WHEELWRIGHT
AND COACH-BUILDER,
MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL
(Nearly opposite Bank of New South Wales),
Is prepared to execute all Orders entrusted to him with carefulness and despatch.
A Large Supply of Well-seasoned American and Native Timbers kept in Stock.
Repairs done in best style.

K. PRETSCHE,
CROMWELL,
COACH AND GENERAL PAINTER,
PAPERHANGER, &c.
Has always on hand a fine selection of Paper hangings, Paints, Glass, and Mouldings of every description, at low prices.
Contracts undertaken for General Painting, Paperhanging, Decoration, and Sign Writing.

WILLIAM SUTHERLAND
General
BLACKSMITH & FARRIER,
Begs to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that he has removed to
QUARTZVILLE,
where he hopes, by strict attention to business and reasonable charges, to merit a share of the public patronage.

E. MURRELL,
WATCHMAKER & JEWELLER,
Has just received, per Suez Mail, his first consignment of
SILVER HUNTING LEVER WATCHES
direct from the Manufacturer in London. As these Watches are made to his own order, bear his name, and specially made to suit the requirements of this district, he can with confidence recommend them to the public both as regards finish and accuracy of adjustment, and as Time-keepers not to be excelled in the colony.
E.M. has made arrangements for regular supplies, and as he buys for cash he is in a position to defy competition.
A Two Years' Guarantee given with every Watch.
INSPECTION INVITED.

Note the address—
E. MURRELL,
Watch and Clock Maker,
MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

DOCTOR THOMAS
(from Collins and Lonsdale-streets, Melbourne) may be consulted at his rooms, Octagon, Dunedin, north-east corner, next Working Men's Club. Consulting hours from 9 a.m. till 8 p.m. Sunday included.
Young, middle-aged and elderly men suffering from Debility of the Generative System, Nervous, Skin and Contagious Diseases should consult the Doctor personally or by letter, enclosing stamps for a reply.
The following nominations have been passed by Dr Thomas:—Licentiate Royal College of Physicians, London, 1864; Doctor of Medicine, University of Giessen, Germany, 1871; Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, England, 1859; and Licentiate in Midwifery, 1864.
Cases of Medicine forwarded to any part of New Zealand.

Insurance Companies.

NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY.
RISKS TAKEN ON THE MOST LIBERAL TERMS.
JAMES MARSHALL,
Melmore-Street, Cromwell.

[ESTABLISHED, 1859.]
NEW ZEALAND INSURANCE COMPANY.
CAPITAL ... £1,000,000.
Accepts Fire Risks on every description of property, at lowest rates.
CHARLES COLCLOUGH,
Agent, Cromwell.

SOUTH BRITISH INSURANCE CO.
CAPITAL ... £750,000.
With unlimited liability of Shareholders.
PROVINCIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
JOHN DAVIE, Esq. (Messrs M'Landress, Hepburn, and Co.)
JAMES MILLS, Esq., Manager Union Steam Ship Company.
JAMES RATTRAY, Esq. Messrs J. Rattray and Co.)
GEORGE TURNBULL, Esq. (Messrs W. and G. Turnbull and Co.)

CROMWELL AGENTS: D. A. JOLLY & Co.
The popularity of the South British among the insuring public is best shown by the large and steady increase in its business.

FIRST YEAR'S PREMIUM RECEIPTS ... £34,032
SECOND DO. DO. ... 69,041
THIRD DO. DO. ... 95,184
Every description of Fire Insurance business undertaken. The liberality and promptness in settlement which have been important features in securing the above rapid progress still characterise the South British.
Every information supplied by
D. A. JOLLY & CO.,
Agents, Cromwell.

VICTORIA HOTEL
CROMWELL.
JAMES STUART,
(Late of the Ferry Hotel, Bannockburn.)
Begs to intimate to his friends and the public that he has purchased the above Hotel, where he hopes, by strict attention to business, and by keeping the best Wines and Spirits, to merit a share of public patronage.
A first-class table kept, and superior eight-stall stone stable, replete with every convenience for Travellers. Unsurpassed in the District.
N.B.—The nearest Hotel to the Court-house.

SHERWOOD AND WRIGHT,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, AND GENERAL STOREKEEPERS,
MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

Having completed their arrangements for the regular consignment of Goods suitable to the market, Sherwood and Wright have pleasure in intimating that they have now on hand, and constantly arriving, full supplies of
WINES, SPIRITS, PROVISIONS, AND FAMILY GROCERIES
of the very best quality obtainable, and which will be found to compare most favorably as to price with those of any establishment on the Goldfields.
The Stock comprises every class of goods in above line, so that it is unnecessary to give a detailed list.
Messrs Sherwood and Wright have made arrangements for a constant supply of
FLOUR, BRAN, POLLARD, AND GENERAL PRODUCE
of the finest quality from the Wakatipu Mills. In this line the firm can offer special value.
GOODS DELIVERED TO ALL PARTS OF THE DISTRICT.
FAMILIES REGULARLY WAITED UPON.

S. & W. desire specially to state that they have entered into arrangements for the regular supply to them of
DAIRY PRODUCE
from one of the finest farms on the Taieri, an advantage which they feel sure their customers will fully appreciate.

Cromwell

CROMWELL
VETERINARY SHOEING FORGE,
Next door to
STARKEY'S CROMWELL HOTEL.
ROBERT WISHART,
General Blacksmith, Farrier, Machinist, &c.,
Begs to intimate to the public that he has purchased the business from Mr EDWARD LINDSAY, as Farrier and Blacksmith, and hopes by paying strict attention to business, and turning out good substantial work of all kinds, guaranteed, to merit a continuance of public support.

R. W. begs to intimate to the public generally that he has purchased the CAST-IRON BED for TIRING WHEELS from Mr LINDSAY, being the first introduced up-country; and in this branch he will guarantee to give every satisfaction.
Horses shod on the latest and most-approved principle.
Light shoes ... 10s.
Draught do. ... 16s.

IMPORTANT TO WAGONERS, FARMERS, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.
NEW VETERINARY & SHOEING FORGE.
JAMES RICHARDS
Having purchased the business as General Blacksmith and Horse-shoer in Cromwell, lately carried on by Mr R. Cayford, begs to inform the public that he is in a position to execute every class of work in a most satisfactory manner at reasonable prices.

In the Veterinary and Shoeing Department the advertiser has considerable experience, and in these branches can guarantee to suit those who favor him with their patronage.
Horses carefully and skilfully treated for all complaints.
Note the Address—
MURRAY STREET, CROMWELL,
Opposite Messrs Grant and MacKellar's offices.

WANAKA SAW-MILLS.
RUSSELL, EWING & CO.,
PROPRIETORS.
The Proprietors have placed the above Mills in complete working order with the best appliances obtainable and are prepared to supply Manufactured Timber of every description; Posts, Rails, Props, Slabs, &c. &c., at the shortest possible notice, at reasonable prices and on easy terms.
Orders punctually attended to and despatched with promptitude.
RUSSELL, EWING & Co.,
WANAKA SAW MILLS.

VINCENT FLOUR MILL,
OPHIR.
J. C. JONES
Begs to inform the inhabitants of the surrounding districts that, having now completed the above Flour Mill, which he has fitted up with machinery on the most improved principle, he is prepared to supply
SILK-DRESSED FLOUR
of the best quality; also, Bran and Pollard.
Gristing at Current Rates.
J. C. JONES.

A. G. WATSON
(Late Watson and Gow),
Begs respectfully to inform his numerous friends and the public generally that he has commenced Business as General Blacksmith and Wheelwright in the premises occupied by the late firm, and trusts, by attention and making none but first-class articles, to merit a share of public patronage. Town and country orders punctually attended to.—Princes-street south, Dunedin.
VULCAN FOUNDRY
Great King-street, Dunedin.
KINCAID, McQUEEN AND CO.,
Boilermakers, Engineers, Millwrights, Founders, Blacksmiths, &c.

All kinds of castings in Brass and Iron.
Steam Engines and Boilers made and repaired.
Overshot, Breast, and Turbine Waterwheels, Quartz-crushing Machinery, Pumping and Wind-ing Gear.
Cast-iron Sluice and Ripple Plates; Sheet-iron Hopper and Sluice Plates, (punched to any size of holes), Gold-dredging Spoons, &c.
Flour-mill Machinery.
All kinds of Reaping, Threshing, Horse-power Machines made and repaired.
Improved Reaping Machines.
K. M'Q. and Co.'s improved Wrought-Iron Piping for Fluming and Hydraulic Mining is the best in use, and cheaper than canvas.

Miscellaneous.

P. BUTEL & CO'S
FLOUR MILLS,
NEAR ARROWTOWN,
Supply First-class
SILK-DRESSED FLOUR, BRAN, AND POLLARD.
GRISTING DONE AT CURRENT RATES.
Country orders executed with care and dispatch. An excellent sample of flour guaranteed, —cannot be excelled in the Colony.

CENTRAL REGISTRY OFFICE.
E. LYONS begs to notify the inhabitants of Cromwell and District that he has OPENED a REGISTRY OFFICE in conjunction with his Fruiterer's Business in Dunedin.
Hotelkeepers, station owners and others can rely upon obtaining suitable Servants of every description.
E. LYONS
(Late J. B. L. Luks),
COMMISSION, LAND & ESTATE AGENT,
GEORGE-STREET, DUNEDIN.

COBB AND CO'S
LIVERY STABLES,
LAWRENCE,
Will now be under the personal supervision of
Mr Craig.
HORSES & BUGGIES ALWAYS ON HIRE.
Horses Broken to Saddle and Harness.
H. CRAIG & Co.,
Proprietors.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.
Impurity of the Blood.—Entealed Existence.
This medicine embraces every attribute required in a general and domestic remedy: it overturns the foundation of disease laid by defective food and impure air. In obstruction or congestion of the liver, lungs, bowels, or any other organs, these Pills are especially serviceable and eminently successful. They should be kept in readiness in every family, being a medicine of incomparable utility for young persons, particularly to those of feeble constitutions.
Biliousness, Loss of Appetite, Headache and Lowness of Spirits.
These Pills effect a truly wonderful change in debilitated constitutions, as they create a healthy appetite, correct indigestion, remove excess of bile, and overcome giddiness, headache, and palpitation of the heart.

Mothers and Daughters.
If there is one thing more than another for which these pills are famous it is their purifying properties, especially their power of cleansing the blood from all impurities, removing dangerous congestions, and renewing suspended secretions. Universally adopted as the one grand remedy for female complaints, these Pills never fail, never weaken the system, and always bring about what is required.
Nervous Debility.
Persons who feel weak, low, and nervous, may rest assured some serious ailment is looming in the distance, against which instant action should be taken. These renowned Pills present the ready means of exciting energetic action on the liver, liberating accumulated bile, and lifting at once a load from the spirits and expelling a poison from the body.
Indigestion, Stomach, and Liver Complaints.
Persons suffering from any disorders of the liver, stomach, or other organs of digestion, should have immediate recourse to these Pills, as there is no medicine known that acts on these particular complaints with such certain success.
Holloway's Pills are the best Remedy known in the world for the following diseases:—

Ague	Inflammation
Asthma	Jaundice
Bilious Complaints	Liver Complaints
Blotches on the Skin	Lumbago
Bowel Complaints	Piles
Colic	Rheumatism
Constipation of the Bowels	Retention of Urine
Consumption	Scrofula, or King's Evil
Debility	Sore Throats
Dropsy	Stone and Gravel
Dysentery	Secondary Symptoms
Erysipelas	Tic Doloroux
Female Irregularities	Tumours
Fever of all kinds	Ulcers
Fits	Venerical Affections
Gout	Worms of all kinds
Headache	Weakness, from whatever cause
Indigestion	&c. &c. &c.

Each Pot and Box of the Genuine Medicines bears the British Government Stamp, with the words "Holloway's Pills and Ointment, London," engraved thereon.
On the label is the address, 533, Oxford street, London, where alone they are manufactured.
Beware of all Compounds styled
HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT
With a "New York" Label.

Hotels

CROMWELL HOTEL
AND BILLIARD SALOON.

STARKEY and SCALLY ... Proprietors.

The above well-known Hotel is now replete with every convenience and comfort, and offers most superior inducements to travellers and the public generally.

The cellars are stocked with the choicest brands of Wines, Spirits, Ales, etc.

THE BILLIARD SALOON

Just opened, is the most capacious and comfortable in Otago, and contains two splendid Tables with all requisite appointments. The room is in charge of an experienced manager, who thoroughly understands the requirements of this department.

THE STABLING

Is such as to leave nothing to be desired, and is under the control of a Groom of many years experience.

Private Sitting-rooms and apartments for Families.

Commodious Show-rooms for Commercial Men.

STARKEY AND SCALLY,
PROPRIETORS.

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,

DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,

(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock.

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

N.B.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

JOHN RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR.

CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,
QUARTZVILLE.

CHARLES PEAKE,
Proprietor.

The Proprietor, having recently purchased the above well-known and centrally-situated Hotel, is now in a position to offer first-class accommodation to all who may favour him with their patronage.

The Premises are fitted up and furnished on the most complete scale, and the arrangements for the comfort of visitors and travellers are second to none in the district.

COMMODIOUS BILLIARD ROOM,
fitted with one of Julius Paser's full-sized tables

AN EXCELLENT SIX-STALLED STABLE,
with careful groom always in attendance.

CHARLES PEAKE.

KIRTLEBURN HOTEL,
ROARING MEG.

T. GORMAN ... Proprietor.

The travelling public will find every comfort and accommodation at this hostelry.
Wines, Beer, and Spirits of best brands.

VICTORIA BRIDGE HOTEL.

J. M'CORMICK ... Proprietor.

The above well-known Hotel (late Edwards') has undergone a thorough renovation at the hands of the present proprietor, and is now second to no house on the main road from Cromwell to Queenstown.

Travellers may rest assured that they will receive every attention at the above Hotel.

The excellent range of STONE STABLES is under the charge of an experienced Groom. Horses will therefore secure every attention.

PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL,
QUEENSTOWN.

R. ANDERSON ... Proprietor.

The above well-known hotel has recently been refitted, and now affords the most comfortable accommodation

Wines, Spirits, &c., of the best brands.

Cromwell

**FREE TRADE BUTCHERY**
(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &c., always on hand.

*Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout the district.

**CROMWELL BUTCHERY**
(WHOLESALE AND RETAIL),

OWEN PIERCE - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Meat of all descriptions always on hand, and sold at the Lowest Prices.

**R. AND W. OLDS,**
FAMILY BUTCHERS,

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

In thanking householders of the town and district of Cromwell for the liberal patronage conferred upon them since starting business, desire to say that they have entered into such arrangements as will enable them to continue to supply their Customers with Beef, Mutton, Pork and other articles in the trade of the very best quality.

SMALL GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Families and Hotels waited upon daily.

**THE CROMWELL BAKERY.**

J. SCOTT,

BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,

Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

SWAN BREWERY,
CROMWELL.

G. W. GOODGER - Proprietor.

The Proprietor is now prepared to supply his unrivalled XXXX ALES in any quantity, delivered throughout the District.

Orders left at the Commercial Hotel, Cromwell, or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to.

G. W. GOODGER.

THOMAS FOOTE,
TAILOR AND CLOTHIER

MELMORE TERRACE,

CROMWELL.

Choice Selection of Tweeds on hand.

MANUHERIKIA BREWERY,
ALEXANDRA.**THEYERS AND BECK**

Bag to announce that they are prepared to supply their SPARKLING XXXX ALES in any quantity.

Delivered free of cartage within twenty miles.

Orders left with

Mr THEYERS, Alexandra;

Mr C. P. BECK, Clyde;

or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to

THEYERS AND BECK,

BREWERS,

ALEXANDRA.

Miscellaneous.

NOTICE.

A number of useless Curs are allowed to prowl about on Kawarau Station by their owners. This is to give them warning that POISON will be laid wherever they are most likely to get it.

October, 1877.

JAMES COWAN.

[ESTABLISHED 1864.]

CLEAVE'S RETAIL PRICES OF
GARDEN SEEDS, NEW AND SOUND.

Peas, 8d per lb	French Beans, 1s per lb
Broccoli, 1s 6d per oz	Scarlet Runners, 1s 6d
Lettuce 1s per oz	Mustard, 3d per lb
Beet, 6d per oz	Brussels Sprouts 1s per oz
Leek, 1s 6d per oz	Broad Beans 8d per lb
Carrot, 6d per oz	Onion, 8d per oz
Cabbage, 8d per oz	Parsley, 6d per oz
Parsnip, 6d per oz	Cauliflower, 2s 6d per lb
Cress, 3d per oz	Rhubarb, 1s per oz
Celery, 1s per oz	Radish, 3d per oz
Turnips, 3d per oz	Curled Greens, 8d per oz
Endive, 1s per oz	Spinach, 6d per lb

Cucumbers, Melons, Pumpkins, Tomatoes, and Vegetable Marrows, 6d per packet.

Best Varieties of Flower Seeds, 2s 6d per dozen Packets.

A large stock of Agricultural Seeds always on hand.

ROBERT CLEAVE,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL SEEDSMAN,
DEE-STREET, INVERCARGILL.

Stud Horses.

**THE DRAUGHT ENTIRE HORSE**
CLYDE

Will Travel the Cromwell and Hawea Districts during this Season.

CLYDE is a powerful dark chestnut, 18 hands high, docile temper, and of great sinew. He has proved himself a sure foal-getter in the Blacks District, where his stock is held in high value.

Terms - - - £3.

Groomage, 5s, payable on Service.

Guarantees as per arrangement.

Season to end 1st February, 1879, on or before which Service must be paid for.

ROBERT KIDD,

Proprietor,

Lower Flat, near Cromwell.

**THE CLYDESDALE ENTIRE**
HORSE**SURPRISE**

Will Stand this Season at Mr J. Drummy's Farm, Ida Valley.

SURPRISE, bred by John Hamilton, Esq., is by that well-known Clydesdale sire Thane of Clyde, imported to Southland by Hugh M'Lean, Esq. Dam bred by A. Clerke, Esq., Longford, Tasmania, and imported into this province by the Messrs Clerke Brothers, for breeding purposes on their farm.

Surprise is a dark dappled bay, stands 17 hands high, and is now rising twelve years. He is a remarkably compact and powerful horse with immense bone, fine flat leg, unequalled action, and docile temper. He has proved himself a sure foal-getter, and his stock are not surpassed by the progeny of any horse which has ever served in the Southland district, where he has travelled three years in succession.

Surprise took second prize at two, three and four years' old at the Invercargill Annual Show against all comers.

A Paddock for the accommodation of Mares coming from a distance will be provided free of charge, without responsibility. The greatest care taken.

TERMS - - - £3.

Groomage, 5s.

No Foal no Pay; all Guarantees.

NOTE.—All Mares delivered in Clyde or Alexandra taken delivery of and returned free of charge, without responsibility. Every care taken, but no responsibility. Mares sent home to Cromwell at end of season, of which due notice will be given.

JEREMIAH DRUMMY,

Ida Valley.

Stud Horses.

**THE DRAUGHT ENTIRE HORSE**
YOUNG DAN O'CONNELL

Will Stand this Season at Grove Farm,

Cromwell.

Terms - - - £3.

Paddock accommodation provided.

Every care taken of Mares, but no responsibility.

JOHN TOWAN,

Proprietor.

**THE THOROUGHbred**
HORSE**ARCHITECT**

Will travel the Cromwell and Dunstan Districts during this Season.

ARCHITECT is a rich bay, with black points, stands 16½ hands, with great bone and substance, a splendid temper and grand constitution. He is a sure foal-getter, and his stock show both size and quality. Mechanic, by Architect, was purchased last year by Sir A. D. Bell, Shag Valley, for £120.

ARCHITECT by Peter Wilkins, dam Governess by Conrad, from Bequest by Snoozer, from Medea by Mozart, from Whizgig by Whalebone, from mare by Canopus, from mare by Young Woodpecker, from Radish by Pot-8-os.

Conrad by Camel by Whalebone, &c. Snoozer by Muley from Bequest, by Election from Legacy, &c. Mozart by Governor from Laurel Leaf by Stanford, &c.

Peter Wilkins (sire also of The Quack, winner of the Melbourne Cup, Benvolio, winner of the Sydney Derby, &c., &c.), by the Flying Dutchman (winner of the Epsom Derby and Doncaster St Leger, 1849), from Boarding-school Miss by Plenipotentiary from Marpessa, &c.

See N. Z. Stud Book, vol. V.

TERMS - - - £4 4s.

Groomage, 5s, payable on service.

GOOD PADDOCKS.

Every care taken of Mares, but no responsibility incurred.

I. LOUGHNAN.

20th September, 1878.

**THE THOROUGHbred ENTIRE**
HORSE**HARUHA**

Bred by H. Redwood, Esq.,

WILL TRAVEL THE ARROW & QUEENSTOWN DISTRICTS.

HARUHA is a bay horse, stands 15½ hands, bred by Mr Redwood in 1872. Got by Towton—dam Fair Puritan, by Oliver Cromwell out of Coronaria (imported), by Sweetmeat out of Jessica, by Launcelot, own brother to Touchstone.

Towton (imported), by Melbourne—dam Cinizelli, by Touchstone; Oliver Cromwell, by Potentate, out of Woodstock, by Theorens (imported), out of a mare imported to New South Wales from England.

Potentate, by Sir Hercules (sire of the Barb), out of Princess, by Gratis (imported).

Marchioness (own sister to Towton) won the Oaks in 1865. Marchioness has bred in Victoria—Rose of Denmark, Fishhook, Angler (sire of Robinson Crusoe, winner of the Derby). The Peer, full brother to Towton, is sire of Manuka, Peeress and several other noted horses. The Marquis, a son of Cinizelli, by Stockwell, won the Two Thousand Guineas in 1862, ran second for the Derby, for which he was first favorite, and won the St. Leger.

Good Paddocks provided for Mares from a distance.

All care taken, but no responsibility.

TERMS - - - £4.

Groomage fee, 5s.

Full particulars can be obtained from W. Welsh, Arrow, or

TOM BEAUFORT

Vincent County Gazette.

TAKE NOTICE.—The VALUATION LISTS for the Ridings of Hawea, Lindis, Clutha, Kawarau and Nevis, in the Vincent County, for the year 1879-1880, are now open for inspection at the County Offices, Clyde, and a copy of each is also open for inspection at the Court House, Cromwell.

All objections thereto must be left at the County Office, Cromwell Bridge, on or before the 15th day of February, addressed to the Assessment Court; and a copy of every such objection must be left at the Office of the County Council, Clyde, not less than seven days before the next sitting of the said Court.

GEORGE CLARK,
County Clerk.

Clyde, 15th January, 1879.

BOROUGH OF CROMWELL.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Special Meeting of the Borough Council of Cromwell will be held at the Council Chambers, Cromwell, on Friday, February 21st, at 8 p.m., for the purpose of confirming the following resolutions, adopted at a Special Meeting of the said Council, held on Friday, January 17th, and which resolutions are as follows:—

1. That the whole of the By-laws heretofore existing in the Borough of Cromwell be repealed.
2. That the By-laws, No. 1 to 8 inclusive, as read and revised by the Council be adopted.

Dated at Cromwell this 18th day of January, 1879.

JAMES MARSHALL,
Town Clerk.

N O T I C E.

The VALUATION LIST for the Borough of Cromwell for the year 1879 is now open for inspection at the Town Clerk's Office.

All objections thereto must be left at the Court House, Cromwell, on or before the 15th day of February, addressed to the Assessment Court; and a copy of every such objection must be left at my office not later than seven days before the next sitting of the said Court.

JAMES MARSHALL,
Town Clerk.
Cromwell, January 16, 1879.

N O T I C E.

SERGEANT M'GANN has been appointed INSPECTOR OF NUISANCES for the Borough of Cromwell.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Town Clerk.

DUNEDIN CUP, 1879.

A CONSULTATION

On the above Event will be held by
3000 SUBSCRIBERS AT £1 EACH,
To be divided as follows:—

First Prize	...	£1200
Second Prize	...	500
Third Prize	...	300
Starters (divided)	...	500
Non-starters (divided)	...	500

£3000

Crossed cheques, with exchange (1s) added, and stamps for reply and result.

GEORGE DODSON, Treasurer.
Address: Box 27, Port Chalmers.

MONDAY, 3rd FEBRUARY, 1879,
At 12 o'clock.

AT IDA VALLEY.

120 HEAD DAIRY, STORE AND FAT CATTLE.

JOHN COLE CHAPPLE, having received instructions from Mr Joseph Glass, will sell by public auction, on the above date, at 12 o'clock sharp, on the ground,

- 40 head of quiet Dairy Cows, with Calves at foot, and Springers—fat.
- 20 head of Heifers—Springers.
- 30 head of Fat Cattle, and the remainder good Stores.
- 10 head of Horses, Draught, Spring-cart, and Hacks.

The Auctioneer, in asking for a large attendance, can with confidence recommend the above lot of Cattle as the very best in the district—in fact the very name of "Glass" in connection with Cattle is a guarantee as to the quality.

As Mr Glass is going out of Cattle dealing, the whole will be positively sold.

JOHN COLE CHAPPLE,
Auctioneer.

FOR SALE.—Two DRAYS. Apply,
John Marsh, Bridge Hotel.

F O R S A L E,

By Private Treaty,

The PROPERTY lately known as Starkey's Hotel. Terms easy.

Particulars from
CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Agent, Cromwell.

KAWARAU GORGE SCHOOL.

The above School was RE-OPENED yesterday, 20th January.

Miss Goulding has at present a vacancy for a few additional Boarders.

N O T I C E.

I will not be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by my Wife from this date.

JOHN SAUL,
Grand View Hotel, Sandy Point.
January 16th, 1879.

N O T I C E.

All MONEYS due to me must be paid before the 1st February next, otherwise legal proceedings will be taken to recover same.

JOHN SAUL,
Grand View Hotel, Sandy Point.
January 16, 1879.

STAR OF THE EAST QUARTZ-MINING CO., REGISTERED.

The Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, Cromwell, on WEDNESDAY, February 5th, at 7 p.m.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Manager.

A L L A C C O U N T S

owing for Puntage to M'Lachlan and M'Pherson, late of Rocky Point Ferry, must be at once paid to Mr JAMES MARSHALL, Cromwell, or proceedings will be taken for the recovery of the same.

M'LACHLAN & M'PHERSON.
Cromwell, January 14, 1879.

N O T I C E.

All Customers Indebted to me are requested to Settle their Accounts during the present month; and I hereby authorise GEO. W. BROWN to collect all Debts due to me or make arrangements for payment of same.

JAMES SCOTT,
Cromwell Bakery.
20th January, 1879.

E D U C A T I O N M E E T I N G.

The Annual Meeting of Householdors in each School District within the Education District of Otago will be held in the school-house, or building used as a school-house, of each district, upon MONDAY, the 27th current, at half-past 7 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of Electing Seven Householdors to form the School Committee for the current year.

P. G. PRYDE,
Secretary.

CARRICK RANGE WATER SUPPLY CO., REGISTERED.

An Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, Cromwell, on FRIDAY, 14th February, 1879, at 4 p.m.

Business: To consider the financial position of the Company.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Manager.

THE CROMWELL QUARTZ-MINING CO. (LIMITED).

The ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Registered Office, Princes-street, Dunedin, on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd January, 1879, at 3 p.m.

J. A. MACKENZIE,
Manager.
Dunedin, 13th January, 1879.

T O B U I L D E R S & C O N T R A C T O R S.

TENDERS are invited for the ERECTION of a PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Stone) in Cromwell, and will be received by the undersigned up till Friday, 31st January, 1879.

Plans and specifications may be inspected at THE CROMWELL ARGUS Office on and after Tuesday, 7th January.

S. N. BROWN,
Secretary.

CROMWELL JOCKEY CLUB.

A Meeting of the Committee will be held at the White Hart Hotel on MONDAY NEXT, 27th January, at 8 p.m.

Business of importance.

GEO. JENOUR,
Secretary.

PIPECLAY SLUDGE CHANNEL CO. (LIMITED).

The HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the School-house, Bannockburn, on TUESDAY, the 14th day of February, at 7 p.m.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Manager.

STARKEY & SCALLY'S ESTATE IN BANKRUPTCY.

Persons Indebted to the above Estate are requested to pay their respective Accounts to the Trustees without delay, or legal proceedings will be instituted.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
For self and co-Trustees.

CROMWELL TIMBER YARD.

In order to wind-up our Partnership affairs our customers are respectfully requested to settle or arrange for a settlement of their Accounts during the present month.

GRANT & MACKELLAR.
January 1st, 1879.

THE Committee of Management of the Cromwell District Hospital desire to publicly thank the Ladies who undertook the management of the late Bazaar for the handsome cheque of £327 paid over by Mrs Arnott at last meeting, being the net result of their kind efforts.

By order of the Committee,
CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Secretary.

P O S T A L N O T I C E.

The next 'Frisco' mail will close here on Monday, 27th January, at 11.30 a.m.

B I R T H.

On 15th instant, at Quartzville, Bannockburn, the wife of WILLIAM BENNETT, of a daughter.

Cromwell Argus,
AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1879.

THE County Council meets at Clyde tomorrow. Elsewhere is published copy of the Order Paper showing the business about which notice has been given. We shall expect to see considerable discussion over the notice by Cr GREENBANK, which means doing away with a source of revenue of some extent. Whether this can safely be done in the face of the promise made last year that the special taxation in the shape of rates would be much diminished, is open to question, and it is to be hoped members will not allow themselves to be carried away by the assertion that the gold duty tax is an "obnoxious" one, and presses "hardly and unjustly on the principal revenue producers." A good deal may be said on the other side, and it may first be worth while to ask, if the proposed bonus be adopted, whether then the class affected will be the "principal revenue producers." And what machinery will be necessary to carry out Cr GREENBANK's idea has perhaps not entered into the proposer's mind. We are as anxious as anyone to see the miner liberally treated, but have grave doubts whether the proposed step goes in that direction. Were the revenue derived from the gold duty expended judiciously in keeping the roads in mining centres in good repair and keeping open the river communication, we do not doubt the miners would be content to forego the proposed bonus of 1s per oz., and would find themselves gainers in the end. Bannockburn and Bendigo are perhaps the best and most regular gold-producing districts in the County, and yet they have no roads worth the name. The Bendigo people are thoroughly cut off from direct communication with the chief source of their supplies, and are now urging upon the Council to remedy their grievance. We think, therefore, that members will do well rather to try and meet the real wants of the country than to legislate on matters more properly belonging to a higher tribunal. Cr GREENBANK's proposal may suit a very few employers of mining labor, but to the great bulk of gold-producers it means next to nothing. Give them some tangible evidence of benefit for the revenue derived from their labors, and the miners as a class will be quite satisfied to save the county the trouble of paying a shilling bonus.

The result of deliberation on the gold bonus suggestion may, we think, easily be

foreseen; but what about the proposed action in regard to re-building the Clyde bridge? We know that our opposing any such action will be at once put down by some to jealousy of the neighboring town, but we can afford to pass that by. Is there any real necessity for the expenditure of a large sum of money on this work? If so—if it will benefit any considerable section of the people—then our objection may reasonably enough be called captious. But it is the universal opinion outside of Clyde that it would be a throwing of money away to again place a bridge over the Molyneux where the previous one existed, and until some strong proofs are shown that the general view is erroneous, we think the Council is not at all likely to support Cr NAYTOR in his motion. If the Council allows itself to be cajoled into this pet Clyde scheme, members may expect to hear from their constituents in no pleasing terms. There are many works of pressing necessity being forced upon the Council, and until these are executed, the exchequer will not stand fancy works of little public utility and great cost. We hope to see the Council at once affirm this as a fixed principle.

Our correspondent supplies us with report of a public meeting held at Bendigo with the object of urging the County authorities to take steps for the opening of permanent means of communication between Bendigo and Cromwell; or we might more correctly put it, between Cromwell, Bendigo, Hawea, and Wanaka districts. This will necessarily be the result of adopting the prayer of the petition emanating from the meeting in question. It is unnecessary for us to dwell on the great need for something being at once done in the direction indicated in the memorial printed below—that necessity has been already affirmed by the erection of the Rocky Point Bridge. It is no use repining that the structure is rendered useless for all time; what is wanted is immediate action towards placing the residents in the valley in as good a position as though the floods had not interfered with the original intentions of the County Council. The want of a bridge was generally admitted by members some two years ago, and since then its urgency has greatly increased. We hope, therefore, that the Council will at once fall in with the prayer of the petitioners as the only practical solution of the difficulty that has presented itself. The proposed site is a safe and admirable one—none better on the river—and the erection of a substantial bridge there would be not only a boon to a large present population, but will lead to the future settlement of the entire fertile district. The memorial to be presented to the Council reads as follows:—

1. That the only means of communication at present existing between the Ridings of Lindis and Hawea and the lower divisions of the County is a punt situated about a mile above the Lindis junction with the Clutha.
2. That your memorialists respectfully complain that such means of communication are totally inadequate to the requirements of the Ridings which they represent.
3. That it is absolutely necessary some good and permanent roadway be made, so as to connect the northern ridings with the other portions of the County, in order to provide for necessary supplies of goods and coal during the winter months.
4. That your memorialists, having carefully considered the whole matter have unanimously concluded that the only practicable scheme to that end is the construction of a roadway from Rocky Point via Quartz-reef to Deadman's Point, and a bridge across the Clutha at the latter place.
5. That the cost of such work will not be found to exceed what your memorialists consider the importance of the district demands, or the amount of revenue derived therefrom entitles them to expect.
6. Your memorialists therefore respectfully pray your honorable council to favorably consider the matter, and they beg to express a hope that immediate steps be taken to carry out a work of such vital importance to the whole district; and they, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

DUNEDIN, January 21, 1.50 p.m.

The Rev. Mr Fitchett was ordained by the Bishop of Melbourne on Sunday.

Messrs Macandrew, Ballance and Stout are in town. It is expected that Ballance will make reference to the Ministerial programme at the railway banquet.

The Dunedin schools yesterday refused admission to several hundred children.

The New Zealand Rifle Association meeting commences at Nelson on March 3rd.

Creighton, writing to the Wellington Chronicle, predicts an early disruption of the United States into four or five separate States, with the possibility of General Grant as Dictator of the New England States.

George Buller, groom to Bassingthwaite, who is under remand for fraudulent insolvency, committed suicide at Rangiora by hanging.

A young man named O'Connell has been drowned at Kakanui while bathing.

The commission of enquiry appointed to enquire into Walsh's sanity is—Dr Skae; Keim, of Wellington; Dr Jackson, of Invercargill, and Professor Macgregor.

Edgar Bastings has been remanded to Christchurch.

Hurst, Brett (ex-Mayor of Auckland), Goldie and Darley are candidates for Dignan's vacant seat.

LATEST BY CABLE.

LONDON, January 18.

Hicks-Beach yesterday addressed a despatch to the Governors of Australian colonies, stating that the Imperial Treasury consents to continue the present postal arrangements till February, 1880, but then must raise rates. It is proposed to retain 4d per letter. The colonies must not expect the Imperial Government to contribute towards completing lines when they have no control over the management.

Money is in large supply for commercial requirements, still discount rates in the open markets are considerably below the bank minimum.

The Bank reserve is in a satisfactory position, and stands at eleven millions and a half.

The stock market is firm. Consols, 96. Australian securities are resuming their usual activity.

Winding-up orders have been granted against the Blacknavon Company and Booker and Co., iron-masters of Glamorgan. Their liabilities are heavy; the latter are indebted to the West of England Bank £600,000.

Four thousand bales of wool have been sold privately. The Liverpool auctions are neglected.

Depression in trade continues, owing to large arrivals from California. Adelaide wheat rules at 48s and 49s; New Zealand, 45s.

There was a partial run on the London and County Bank on Friday, but it was quite causeless. The Directors announced a dividend of 9 per cent for the last half year.

[SPECIAL TO THE STAR].

January 20.

An attempt has been made to murder British officers at Candahar.

The Residore and Ferryhill Iron Company has failed; liabilities, £280,000.

INTERCOLONIAL.

Melbourne, January 20.

The Government placed the colonial war sloop, *Victoria*, at the disposal of Lord Normanby to bring his Excellency and suite to Melbourne, as no vessel belonging to the New Zealand Government is available. It is understood that Normanby declines the offer, on the ground of having made arrangements for passages in the *Arawata*, and for an overland journey from Christchurch to the Bluff.

Inspector O'Donnell has entered upon his duties as chief of the police force in the Dunstan District.

Notwithstanding the closest enquiry, the police have been unable to learn any further news of the missing man, Harry Richardson.

Mr Colclough last week concluded the sale of the stock and furniture in the Cromwell Hotel, recently occupied by Messrs Starkey and Scally. The total amount realised was, we believe, about £1,500.

We learn that the premises formerly occupied as a store at Bendigo by Mr J. Mitchinson were last night destroyed by fire. We have not got particulars, but probably these will be furnished next week by our Bendigo correspondent.

The first reaper and binder (Woods') brought into Vincent or Lake Counties passed through Cromwell yesterday to the order of Mr William Grant, to whose farms in the Upper Clutha Valley it is being conveyed. Mr Stout, is not this an index that *bona fide* settlement is progressing?

The through line of railway from Christchurch to Invercargill is to be formally opened to-morrow. Great preparations are going forward in the last-named town to suitably celebrate the event. We believe the courtesy of an invitation to the banquet (to be a grand affair) has been extended to the Mayor of Cromwell, Mr Colclough.

Two more petitions have been lodged against the validity of the last election for Arrow Riding, Lake County. Feeling on the subject runs very high among the ratepayers, and the final settlement of the representation will entail considerable expense on the County. The two gentlemen last elected were Messrs M'Cracken and Jenkins.

The shooting competition between eight men of the Queenstown and Cromwell Rifles respectively, will take place on Saturday. The ranges are 400, 500, and 600 yards. The following will represent the Cromwell corps:—Capt. Brown, Lieut. Gudgeon, sub-Lieut. Jolly, Col-sergt. Colclough, Sergt. Crabb, Corps. Story, Graham, and Bandman P. Thomas.

We have received a letter from Arrowtown, signed "Not a J.P.," commenting in very strong language on alleged outrageous conduct on the part of one of the "Great Unpaid" in that district. While we have no reason to doubt the facts as narrated by the writer, yet he has put them in colors somewhat too strong for these pages. Our columns are impartially open for criticism on public men and matters, but "Not a J.P." has, we think, rather overstepped the mark in the harshness of his language.

On Friday night last some sensation was created in Queenstown through a young man named James Oman poisoning himself with strychnine. It is said that the cause of the rash act was some love affair. Oman—who was employed on board the steamer *Antrim*, and was previously for some time working for Mr G. W. Goodger in Cromwell—was conveyed with all dispatch to Frankton Hospital, where he was constantly attended by Dr Douglas. It was at first thought there was a chance of his recovery, but he died on Sunday. The unfortunate young fellow was a member of the Queenstown Volunteers, and was well thought of generally. His burial was to take place to-day.

The Intercolonial Exhibition at Sydney is fixed for September.

The admirers of Thomas, the wrestler, last week presented him with a purse containing 70 sovereigns.

Mr Neill, who has for some years conducted the Queenstown School, resigned a few weeks back. We notice he has been appointed to the Blue Spur School.

The latest regarding Walsh, the Waikata murderer, now lying under sentence of death at Invercargill, is that the Government have received a petition in his favor, and also a certificate from a doctor that he is, and has been, suffering from mania. A commission of three other medical men has been appointed to examine and report on him.

At last week's meeting of the Waste Lands Board, Messrs Haggitt Brothers and Brent, for Messrs Colville and Torrie, applied for a license to depasture stock over 10,000 acres of country on the West Coast, bounded by the Red Mountain, the Whitburn Creek, the Upper Tiki Creek and the Dividing Range.—It was resolved that the run in question be offered at auction, to the extent of 10,000 acres, at the upset price of £50 per annum for 10 years.

The damages claimed in the breach of promise case—*Cayford v. Carruthers*—which comes before the Supreme Court on the 27th inst., are £1,500. The defence is that the alleged promise was obtained by fraud, the plaintiff having exhibited a false certificate said to be signed by a medical man. Mr Denniston appears for the plaintiff; Mr Smith (instructed by Mr F. W. Wade, of Invercargill,) for the defence. A large number of witnesses have been subpoenaed on both sides, and the case is likely to occupy some days.

The newly-built and commodious Railway Hotel at Kingston has passed into the hands of Mr H. Wilkinson, for many years landlord of the Shamrock Hotel, Arrowtown, recently destroyed by fire. Possession will be taken this week. Mr Wilkinson is widely known as an attentive and obliging host, and his presence at Kingston will be appreciated by travellers. Mr W. has also received the Kingston agency for the new steamer, and in this department intends to remedy some things that have hitherto been unsatisfactory to persons having goods coming that way.

It takes one to travel the road between here and Queenstown to realise to the full extent the labor expended thereon since the flood by the Lake County authorities, and it is in the highest degree creditable to that body that the main highway is so thoroughly put right in so short a time. From the Meg to Owens' one can see where chains of roadway at various points have been completely swept away, and rebuilt at great cost of money and labor. Vincent may be a "model" in some things, but for practical energy in overcoming extraordinary difficulties our rulers have something to learn from the Lakes Council, with a working miner as its chairman, and a hard-working man as road-inspector and general supervisor.

A correspondent sends us the following:—"A case of supposed alcoholic poisoning took place on the Hawea Lake during the recent holidays, the particulars of which are these: It appears that a party of six men left the head of the Lake with a boat-load of timber, which they discharged in the usual way. They prepared for their return journey by laying in a good supply of grog, and began to keep holiday in right good earnest, by indulging too freely in 'fire-water.' After some time thus spent, they were horrified to find one of their party—James Murray by name—lying in the cabin, face downwards, stiff and dead. A sudden panic seized them, and they took to the bush, leaving their late companion to occupy the boat alone; but on recovering from the effects of the shock, after a day's absence, they procured a coffin, placed the remains of their mate therein, and consigned his body to its last resting place on the banks of the beautiful and picturesque Lake Hawea. Murray was an old bushman, and much respected in the district; was a Scotchman, and is said to have had a wife and family in Victoria or at Home. There is not the slightest cause for suspecting foul play."

CROMWELL HOSPITAL.

The monthly meeting of Committee of above Institution was held in the Town Hall on Thursday evening last.

Present—The President (Mr Dawkins), Messrs Arndt, Jolly, Pretsch, and Marshall.

Minutes of previous meeting having been confirmed, correspondence inward and outward was read and approved. The inward correspondence comprised—letter from Mrs Arndt, enclosing cheque for £327, as the result of the late Bazaar in aid of the Hospital funds; from Mr R. M'Dougall, Cardrona, intimating that a sum of £25 had been voted by the Lake County Council to the Cromwell Hospital; and from Mr Vincent Pyke, stating his willingness to assist in procuring from Government the balance of subsidy due.

It was unanimously resolved that the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to Mrs Arndt and the other ladies who assisted to bring the late Bazaar to such a successful issue, and that the same be advertised in THE CROMWELL ARGUS.

It was also resolved that the thanks of the committee be forwarded to the Lake County Council and to Mr M'Dougall for the donation of £25.

Messrs Jolly, MacKellar and Colclough were asked to place the circumstances of Hospital subsidy before Mr Pyke, with the view of obtaining his assistance.

Notice of motion was tabled—That after 1st April paying patients be received into the Hospital on the following terms: Annual subscribers to be charged 25s per week, and non-subscribers, £2 per week.

This closed the business of the meeting.

BOROUGH COUNCIL.

SPECIAL MEETING.

An adjourned special meeting of the Council was held on Friday evening last for the purpose of revising and adopting the new Bye-laws. Present—The Mayor (C. Colclough, Esq.) Crs. Arndt, Solomon, Goodger, Behrens, Wishart, Pretsch and Stuart.

The draft bye-laws as printed were read, and after a number of necessary corrections had been made, it was

Proposed by Cr Solomon, seconded by Cr Behrens, and carried—That the Bye-laws as revised by the Council be now adopted.

ORDINARY MEETING.

Minutes of previous meeting having been read and confirmed,

Outward correspondence was read and approved.

The inward correspondence was as follows:—(1) From Under-Secretary for Works, informing the Council that the Cromwell Bridge had been handed over to the Vincent County authorities, and that in future the cost of maintenance, repairs, &c., would be borne by the County. (2) From Sergt. M'Gann, accepting the appointment of Inspector of Nuisances for the Borough. (3) From local fire brigade, enclosing a letter from the Secretary of the Dunedin Brigade giving information as to the best description of hose, hydrants, &c., and the cost of same. (4) From Mr Colclough, late clerk and collector for the Borough, urging an early settlement of his account as passed by the Council on his resignation.

It was resolved that a sum of £50 be voted for purchase of necessary material for the Fire Brigade.

Ordered that the letter from the late Town Clerk stand over.

Accounts were passed for payment as under:—Geo. Jenour (returning officer's fee), £2 2s; Bark Cheong (share of cost maintenance corporation rate) £6 11s; T. Waddle (goods) 13s; J. Marshall (salary as clerk to 1st Dec.) £25. A bill was presented for £10 10s, special audit corporation accounts. It was resolved that a payment of £6 6s be made.

Cr Goodger proposed—That tenders be called for continuing the kerbing of Melmore Terrace from the ARGUS office to opposite the Post-office. The motion did not find a seconder, and therefore lapsed.

The Council then rose.

PUBLIC MEETING AT BENDIGO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

January 18.

A public meeting was held in the school-room on the evening of the 11th inst., for the purpose of considering what steps should be taken to urge the County Council to open up some means of communication between Bendigo and Cromwell. Nearly every man in the district was present and took a lively interest in the proceedings.

Mr Dewar, manager of Ardgour Station, was unanimously voted to the chair, and in a few well-chosen remarks explained the object of the meeting, giving it as his opinion that it was high time to move in the matter, as at present this portion of the County was completely isolated, and the approach of winter caused grave apprehensions to all residents in the locality that, if at all obtainable, fuel would be at famine price. After these introductory remarks, the chairman invited an expression of opinion from those present.

Several gentlemen in turn then addressed the meeting, and all were unanimous in declaring that the late floods had so changed the course of the Clutha River that it would be absurd to expect that traffic could be restored by the proposed turning of said river beneath the bridge, which now stands on an island. The opinion of men who have spent the last 14 years in the district, and who know more about it than paid officials do, shows that no other road from Bendigo to Cromwell will be of any permanent use to this place except by Rocky Point and Quartz-reef, below which latter place one of those eligible sites that Nature has provided is obtainable for bridging the Clutha River, thus remedying the evil complained of, namely, no proper means of communication with Cromwell.

Mr M'Donald, as a representative from Quartz-reef, was present, and addressed the meeting at considerable length, heartily sympathising with us in our present condition. He also justly complained that his locality had been unfairly dealt with since the inauguration of the County system of government, and that they had received nothing in return for the revenue derived from the district.

The merits and demerits of the Council were fully discussed, and especially its chairman, who was said to constitute the whole Council in himself.

The following resolution, proposed by Mr W. Cameron and seconded by Mr J. Kane, was carried:—"That a memorial be presented to the chairman and councillors of Vincent County, praying that a road be made from Bendigo to a place known as Dead-man's Point, and a bridge constructed across the Clutha River at the latter place."

Proposed by Mr J. C. Jones, seconded by Mr Charles Todd, and carried—"That the ridings of Hawea, Clutha, Kawarau, Lindis and Cromwell town be canvassed for signatures to such memorial."

Proposed by Mr Chas. Todd, seconded by Mr John Kane—"That a deputation be

formed, consisting of Messrs Dewar, T. Rooney and J. M'Donald, to accompany said memorial when presented by the member for Lindis at first meeting of council."

Proposed by Mr R. Morris, seconded by Mr Towan, and carried—"That Mr W. Rooney be appointed to canvass the above-named ridings; and that a fund be raised to defray any expenses connected therewith."

Mr P. Ware was requested and consented to act as secretary and treasurer of such fund, which was then started by the chairman (Mr Dewar), Mr T. Rooney and Mr R. Morris giving £1 each, when every person present came forward with his subscription, the smallest sum being 5s.

It was then suggested that as the Cromwell Q. M. Co. was more pecuniarily interested in having communication opened up between their mine and Cromwell than individual residents here could be, that the mine manager be requested to bring the matter under the directors' notice as soon as possible, and ask their co-operation and support, as the inconvenience and extra expense of getting necessary supplies to their works must press heavily upon them. Mr Rooney kindly consented to lay the matter before them as soon as possible.

A hearty vote of thanks to the chairman brought to a close one of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings of the kind that has ever been held in these parts.

Having briefly sent you an account of the meeting last week, and the object for which it was convened, permit me to express a hope that the Council in its wisdom will see the advisability of acceding to the wishes of those who only ask that a fair share of the County revenue may be judiciously spent in their division, on works of permanency and importance to the whole district. Had the money which was so ruthlessly thrown away on the bridge at Rocky Point been spent in making a road and bridge as indicated by the present petitioners, lasting benefits would have accrued to the whole district; but, instead of that, it has been thrown away in the attempt to bridge a river at a point which ever and anon pursues an undefined course. Had the engineer taken the advice offered him, and looked for a better site he might not now have his name spoken of with reproach. Whatever antipathy the Council has against Bendigo I know not, but this I do know—that nothing of any importance has been done for it ever since the model County was called into existence. Against the will of the whole ratepayers of the district, a punt is placed on the Clutha so far removed from Bendigo that no one here can derive any benefit therefrom; and after a good round sum having been spent on its erection and roads to and from it, the general opinion is that it will not answer the purpose for which it was put there, namely, to allow the station to send their wool to Dunedin. We have no objection to this, and consider that the squatter's interest should be looked to as well as miners and others; but what we complain of is that a more suitable spot was not chosen, which would have been of service to the whole district. Had the employees of the Council set to work properly, and made a road to Marsh's farm by Rocky Point, as a very suitable site is available at the former place, where the whole river runs in one stream, there all parties would have been benefited alike, and the road could have continued to Dead-Man's Point with as little delay as possible. But of late the County works are carried on at haphazard, and very soon it will be found that there remains but little in the exchequer to be further squandered.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN NEWS.

[BY CABLE.]

(FROM DUNEDIN DAILIES.)

LONDON, January 12.

General Roberts on the 8th attacked the Afghan irregulars, and after a severe and protracted contest, the Afghans were defeated with a loss of 500 killed. Numerous prisoners, herds of cattle, and quantities of grain were taken.

The Ameer received sympathetic hospitality from Russia in Turkestan.

Marshal Espatero, the Spanish statesman, is dead.

January 13.

The *Times* says it has reason to believe that Yakoob has been officially informed by the Indian Government of the conditions of peace, which are such as he can honorably accept.

The official inquiry into the Thunderer catastrophe decided that the explosion was due to a defective well.

January 15.

It is the French Government's intention to terminate all treaties of commerce with England in January next.

The Glasgow Bank has declared a dividend of 6s 8d in the £.

An explosion in the Pontyfield Mine killed 58 persons.

A reduction in rates of discount is expected.

Two thousand Communists are amnestied. The signature of the President to the pardon will be definitely attached to-morrow.

A tremendous conflagration occurred in New York, a large wholesale clothes store being completely destroyed. The estimated loss is 2,000,000 dol.

A telegram has been received that the *Loch Stuart*, on her return voyage from Melbourne, was wrecked on the coast of Belfast, Ireland. Thomas Pearce, the *Loch Ard* survivor, was on board.

The Frenchman, Madden, who threatened to shoot the Queen, is detained at Broadmere prison. The distress of the operatives in the manufacturing districts is increasing.

Yellow fever has appeared in Jamaica, and is rapidly spreading.

January 17.

M'Comas and Co. have failed for £80,000. The failure is attributed to depreciation in wool.

The German war-vessels *Ariadne* and *Meritius* are directed to exact satisfaction from Samoa.

A rapid advance of British troops on Cabul has produced complete disorganisation among the Ameer's troops, and anarchy prevails in the city.

LAKE JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

This meeting took place on Thursday and Friday last, and was an entire success in every respect. The weather throughout was glorious, and the course and general appointments first-class. On the first day the attendance was scarcely up to expectations, but Friday brought together a considerable crowd. The racing was very good, each event bringing to the post a fair field, and being honestly contested. There were numbers of "little games" on the course, which had liberal patronage during the intervals in the programme. The police, however, kept an eye that there was no "crooked" business in the "U and O." line, and this was about the extent of their duties on the course, as the crowd was very orderly and good-natured. The "German Band" was there, too, and attracted a crowd each day, drawing in goodly contributions of coin. The booth was in the hands of Mr Eichardt, and his name as a caterer is sufficient guarantee that in this department there was nothing to complain of. Had there been a little improvement in the attendance, there was nothing to desire more towards the complete measure of success, and it is to be regretted that the effects of the floods in Lake County should have been so severe as to have precluded the possibility of re-establishing bridge communication over the Lower Shotover, as the uncertainty of fording the stream kept back a lot of people on the Arrow side. As it was, however, the Stewards have good reason to congratulate themselves and the district on the very pleasant gathering, and the real enjoyment afforded.

It will be seen from the subjoined details of the various events that the Cromwell horses gave a good account of themselves. Haricot, with W. Barry up, carried off both handicaps with some degree of ease, although in the big thing of Friday Foam was not far out of it. Barry rode with his usual judgment, and he and the grey seem almost inseparable to attain first place. During the present season they won both handicaps at the Wanaka meeting; repeated the same performance at Cromwell last month; and again at Wakatipu did the two leading events fall to Haricot, piloted by W. Barry. The little grey never was in better fettle, and in every instance have his wins been popular. The opening race of the meeting was perhaps the greatest "boil over" ever witnessed at Frankton, as the winner, Medora, was thought nothing of, and any odds could have been had about the mare. Barry, however, brought her through wonderfully, and to the intense surprise of all who previously had seen Medora run.

We now proceed to give the result of the various events on the cards:—

FIRST DAY—THURSDAY.

MAIDEN PLATE, of 15 sovs, for horses which have never won an advertised prize of £10, Hack races excepted. Weight for age. One-and-a-half-miles.

Cash's Medora	...	(W. Barry)	1
Howarth's Tambourini	2
Malaghan's Tommy Dodd	3

Tambourini was the fancied one for this event, Medora scarce having a friend on the course. For about a mile the favorite led, but the mare was let out at the proper time, and led well down the straight, passing the judge's box some three or four lengths ahead.

FRANKTON HANDICAP, of 35 sovs, with a sweepstake of £1 1s to go to the second horse. One-and-a-half-miles.

Taylor's Haricot, aged, 9st 5lbs	(W. Barry)	1
Tuohy's Speculation, 6 years, 9st (T. Barry)	2	
Kirk's Patch, aged, 8st 9lbs	(Owner)	3

Howarth's Devonshire Lass, Patterson's Curacao, and O'Keefe's Flying Beauty also ran. Tuohy's Timbertop was scratched. After an indifferent start, the lot settled into place, Curacao and Patch leading, with Haricot close up. After passing the mile post, Haricot and Speculation drew away, and had it between themselves. Down the straight the two ran strongly, but Haricot was really never called on, and won by a short length.

DISTRICT HACK RACE, of 15 sovs. Heats. Once round the course. Open to district horses, as defined in the Wakatipu Handicap. No less weight than 9st 7lbs.

Tuohy's Port Philip Buck	...	(T. Barry)	1
O'Keefe's Flying Beauty	...	(Kirk)	2

Devonshire Lass and Rosey also ran, but the old Buck won both heats very cleverly from Flying Beauty, a mare with considerable foot. The Lass was looked for in this, but she was not in racing condition, and took an outside place throughout the meeting.

WAKATIPU HANDICAP, of 20 sovs, for horses the bona fide property (for at least three months before the Races) of persons resident in the Lake County. Two miles.

Tuohy's Timbertop, 4 yrs., 8st (T. Barry)	1
Malaghan's Tommy Dodd, 6 yrs., 6st 10lbs	(Holt)
Devonshire Lass, aged, 7st 4lb	...

Speculation was scratched, his owner depending on Timbertop to do the trick. It lay between the Cardrona chestnut and Tommy Dodd, and after a good race, Timbertop made a couple of lengths in the straight, which he maintained to the finish. Two to one was freely offered about the winner.

SECOND DAY—FRIDAY.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE, of 25 sovs, over four flights of hurdles. Distance about one-and-a-half-mile heats.

Howarth's b g Tambourini, aged, 8st 6lbs	...
(Cameron)	1

This event was closed before our reporter

reached the course, but it was a comparatively easy thing for the winner.

HANDICAP NOVEL RACE, of 30 sovs. The winner to be sold by public auction, with his engagements, immediately after the race, and the proceeds of the sale to go to the funds of the Club. Entrance, 15s. One-and-a-half-mile.

A. H. Douglas's bl g Abinadab, aged, 7st 1
W. Taylor's b m Frances, aged, 8st 5lbs
R. Howarth's Tambourini, aged, 8st 5lbs

Frances was the fancied one, but had to yield to the little black horse after leading a mile. The winner was bought by Mr James Patterson.

LAKE JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP, of 40 sovs., with a sweepstake of £2 2s to go to the second horse. Two miles.

W. Taylor's g g Haricot, aged, 9st 3lbs	(W. Barry)	1
W. Barry's Foam, aged, 7st 9lbs	(Davis)	2
T. Tuohy's Speculation, 6 yrs., 8st 5lbs	...	3

Patch, Curacao, and Devonshire Lass also ran. Betting, even on Haricot against the field; few takers. A fair start was effected, and the lot passed the Stand the first time in a bunch at the back of the course, Haricot and Foam took command and left the field, improving the position so well that on coming into the straight only these two were in it. A splendid struggle ensued to the judge's box, which the grey managed to pass three-quarters of a length in front of the mare, whose performance was a surprising one.

HACK SELLING RACE, of 15 sovs. The winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race. Any surplus over £15 to go to the funds. One and a-half mile.

Jas. Patterson's Abinadab	...	1
T. Tuohy's Port Philip Buck	...	2
C. McKenna's Clyde	...	3

The Hospital Race was the next on the card, and this was won by M'Moran's Schoolboy, whose name is now closely associated with this particular event.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP, of 15 sovs., for all beaten horses. One and a-half mile.

W. Barry's Foam	...	(Davis)	1
G. Kirk's Patch	...	(Owner)	2

This, the closing event of the day, was a gift to Barry's mare, who won it hands down.

ARROW TOWN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

January 20.

The valuers under the Land Tax Act are now busy compiling their valuation lists for the County and boroughs respectively; and looking at the tax with an unprejudiced eye, it will be found that it will be borne entirely by the wealthier classes of the landed proprietary, and will not affect the poorer classes. As to the outcry that the expense of the valuation will exceed, in many districts, the proceeds of the levied tax, it must be remembered that the present valuation stands good for three years, and therefore no more expense will be incurred for such purpose until the end of that term; besides, the first valuation is a great guide, and will simplify future ones. The proprietors are also, to a large extent, allowed to be their own valuers, as they are given the privilege of setting down in the form provided what they consider the capital or selling value of their lands, after deducting the value of improvements thereon; and there is no doubt, if they act with integrity and in accordance with the meaning of the Act, little difference will exist between their own and the valuer's estimate of their property.

The Homeward Bound and Tipperary Companies are busy crushing, and excellent prospects are being developed in the All-Nations; as much as 10z to the dish was washed last week. It is calculated that the stone now being raised is as rich as any in the district, and a crushing will soon be on foot. I have always had strong faith in this claim, but the great drawback to its development has ever been, and is, the distance of the stone from the battery, which, with the present primitive means of transit, makes the cost of carriage three times as much as it should be. Wire tramways that would convey the stone straight from the paddock to the machine would be the best means of testing the real value of these excellent reefs.

The Arrow people are about to consider the means to erect a hospital and secure a resident surgeon here. It is high time, and this is about the only sensible method to provide medical assistance for this part of the County. The Arrow people think they are quite able to support a hospital of their own under the present "Financial Arrangements Acts" of the colony; and we know of old that the Arrow community, when bent on achieving a purpose, give "a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull altogether," and in this instance I feel convinced that the hospital will be built and the surgeon will, as a matter of course, follow. The Wakatipu Hospital has long been an excellent institution for the Arrow district, but only because no other means of relief were at hand. It has always been, however, too far away for the requirements of patients so far distant as the Macetown Reefs and Cardrona workings, and the long time taken in the carriage of them thence is tantamount to endangering life in an imminent case. If the Arrow Hospital is erected in a good central position there is no doubt every support will be afforded for its maintenance, and I think an excellent site could be procured in the new borough extension.

No less than three protests have been entered against the validity of the late

Arrow Riding election—Mr A. H. Douglas having lodged two, and Mr W. Jenkins, one. Verily we are having a lively time of it, as votes seem to be recorded in a very loose fashion—as if the roll, Act, and regulations had no influence on the matter, and it merely remained a discretionary matter with the returning officer and his deputies whom they should allow to vote, and upon what fancy qualification. The Act must be very foggy or the returning officers very obtuse; but the county has to pay the piper. It is getting rather too hot for the ratepayers. It is to be hoped that a "third time of asking" may satisfy all parties.

I would like to see the borough by-laws carried out, especially relative to nuisances. I do not know what the inspector does for his money, but he certainly takes no steps to remove pigsties of abominable stench, the putrid contents of which are allowed to drain into black, fever-breeding pools that remain stagnant until evaporated by the scorching summer sun, and thus poisoning the atmosphere which is daily and hourly inhaled by the residents. As I do not speak of this intolerable nuisance without good grounds, I may as well state that one of these fever-breeding places is close to Su Sing's, the Chinaman's; another, even a greater nuisance, is close opposite the Council Chambers, and its nightly odours from filthy swine are a disgrace to any civilised beings who pretend to the advanced state of progress of a municipal body. Let them bear in mind that there is neither drainage nor water supply in the town, and the fever seed being thus sown will assuredly be reaped unless an instant crushing out of its elements is resorted to by the Local Board of Health, our Borough Council.

Original Correspondence.

THE LATE ARROW ELECTION.

To the Editor of THE CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—On the evening of the 2nd instant, being the day of election of two councillors for the Arrow Riding, a scene occurred which then and since has caused me much annoyance. It was this: When the Returning Officer announced the state of poll at the Arrow Booth, placing me at the head, and Mr A. H. Douglas at the foot of it—Mr Pritchard having retired from the contest—I was at the camp. On coming up to town I was told Mr Douglas was searching for me. Shortly afterwards I happened to see him, accompanied by Mr Robert Gilmour, and stepping forward to meet him held out my hand to give him a friendly greeting, but to my surprise his first words were, "McCracken you have sold me," and he swore he would never shake hands with me again, adding, in language as vulgar as it was expressive, that he would kick me. Seeing he was much excited at the time, I refrained until the 6th instant from addressing him on the subject, for the purpose of allowing him time to reflect calmly over his unaccountable conduct. That day I wrote him demanding a retraction of his assertion that I had sold him, and for an apology for his threatening language; otherwise I would feel called on in duty to myself and constituents to criticise his actions through the public Press. My demand still remains unanswered: hence this letter.

Now, Sir, I emphatically deny that I sold him, and I defy him or any one else to bring forward a single man who will say I either asked him to vote or to canvass against him. This denial if reversed is equally applicable regarding my conduct to Mr W. Jenkins, the third candidate. Throughout the entire canvass and duty of election, I acted towards Mr Douglas in the most gentlemanly and straightforward manner, both in word and deed. I would therefore ask, How could I have sold him? My supporters, many of whom I am aware, so is he himself, were strongly opposed to his re-election, no doubt used their utmost exertions to keep him out. So long, however, as they exercised those efforts in an upright and honest manner, they were perfectly entitled to follow the full bent of their inclinations. I neither had nor have any control over the tongues and actions of his opponents, and I never professed to have it. When a man enters into a contest of this description, he may rest assured he will be liable to meet with some opposing element, with people who are perfectly capable, as in this instance, of thinking and judging for themselves. Such men can neither be "pleased with a rattle, nor tickled by a straw." So much for having sold him.

Next comes the question of abusive and threatening language. Byron in his preface to "English Bards and Scotch Reviewers," affirms that you cannot blacken a sweep by pelting him with soot. I therefore will merely say that it would be unworthy of me to make use of abusive language towards him, for the purpose of repelling his vulgar threat. I refrain from it, and pass it by simply remarking that I treat all persons, him amongst the number, who lower themselves by using it with the utmost contempt. If a gentleman finds he has made use, in an unguarded moment, of an unwarranted expression, even to the meanest person, he will politely retract and apologise sorrowfully for it. Mr A. H. Douglas is above making an apology; he is a full-fledged Justice of the Peace.

Again, Sir, Mr Douglas as just stated is one of our honorable J.P.'s, and Thursday the 2nd was an election day. He must be ignorant indeed if he does not know that on such a day the excitable element is highly developed in most men,—that on these occasions their tempers frequently rise a few

degrees above the boiling point, and that therefore he, as one of our commissioned guardians of the public peace, should have taken exemplary care to preserve it. But what did he do notwithstanding? He intimated on the public street before at least 150 men, all of whom were in a state of great excitement with regard to the final result of the poll, his intentions to kick me. If, Sir, I had been as quarrelsome disposed as he seemed to be, a row would have ensued which all the policemen in the county could not have quelled; and luckily for him it was so, for there were men there who, if he had attempted to carry out his threat, would have taught him a lesson he would unquestionably have remembered during the remainder of his life. Shall I say he is a cowardly young man who would use such a threat to an old man between 60 and 70 years of age. I have often heard it mooted by many here that the roll of commissioned Justices in this part of the Colony stands badly in need of revision, and that the illiterate and the bellicose should at once be expunged from it. Have we not here a practical illustration of its necessity?

Having said so much I shall now leave an intelligent public to judge for themselves of Mr Douglas' conduct, with this addendum—that I shall allow no man, friend or foe, to insult me with impunity, and anyone who attempts it will soon find he has met with the wrong man.

ROBERT M'CRACKEN.

Arrow, January 14, 1879.

AN EXPLANATION.

To the Editor of THE CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR—In your last issue you give an example of the value of advertising, as shown by the return of Mr Olsen's silver watch; and from the wording of your article you seem to throw suspicion upon the party who found and returned it.

I have to inform you that my eldest daughter Maggie found the watch lying half-buried in the sand at the side of Mrs Williams' fence on the 13th inst., and not recognising it at first as a watch, thought it was a piece of money by the "shine." She took it up out of the sand, and found it was a watch, when she immediately took it to Mrs Olsen, and did not, as you say, "put it back again in the place where it was taken from." How the watch came to be in the place where it was found I cannot tell. My neighbours and myself have catechised all the children around, but can get no information about the "taking" part of it. I have not applied for the reward for the simple reason that I do not want it, and would not accept it from my neighbour.

In conclusion, I trust that you will insert this; and I certainly expect a few words of apology for the ambiguous way you reported the circumstances, as it is likely to put a disagreeable complexion on the simple, honest action of my child.—I am, &c.,

JOHN HAYES.

Cromwell, January 20th, 1879.

[The paragraph referred to was penned from information given our reporter, and it was written without the slightest knowledge that Mr Hayes or any member of his family had any connection with the matter.—Ed. C.A.]

VINCENT COUNTY COUNCIL.

ORDER PAPER.

By Councillor Greenbank: That inasmuch as the gold duty is acknowledged to be an obnoxious tax, and presses hardly and unjustly on the principal revenue producers of the County, the Council, to show its sense of the injustice of the same, and in part to remedy it, do hereby resolve to give a bonus of one shilling per ounce on all gold the produce of Vincent County. This resolution to be null and void in the event of the General Assembly abolishing or reducing the present duty.

By Councillor Pyke: That this Council, recognizing the claims of the Otago Benevolent Institution to general support, resolves to appropriate the sum of £ per annum, payable in half-yearly instalments of equal amount, towards the maintenance thereof.

By Councillor Naylor: That the Engineer be requested to prepare plans and specifications for the erection of the Clyde Bridge, and that tenders for the same be called for, to be dealt with at the next ordinary meeting.

By Councillor Pyke: That a further sum of £400 be appropriated toward the construction of Pipeclay Sludge Channel, to be expended under the direction and superintendence of the County Engineer.

By Councillor Pyke: That the sum of £300 be appropriated for repairing and improving the Cromwell-Nevis road.

Mrs Waldrean, who was shot by her husband at Blacks, as stated in our last issue, is progressing favorably towards recovery, under the care of Dr Allan, who hopes to be able to save the arm, a portion of the flesh of which, between the elbow and the wrist, has been shot away.

The *New Zealander*, in an article on the Legislative Council, says:—"In their rejection of the Electoral Bill they displayed that amount of insanity which, according to the old Latin proverb, is apt to precede their destruction;" and further on it says—"We can hardly conceive it possible that in New Zealand a purely nominal body can be allowed much longer to exercise arbitrary and unconstitutional functions under the mere cover of the letter of the law, and to arrogate to themselves authority never claimed by the House of Peers."

PROVINCIAL AND COLONIAL.

Mr Dignan, M.H.R., is to be called to the Upper House.
The Colonial Treasurer is a strong opponent of Chinese immigration.

Twenty of Kelly's sympathisers have been remanded for a week by the Beechworth Bench.

It is rumored that Mr G. B. Barton, editor of the Jurist, is to succeed Mr Stafford as assistant law officer.

The Government are preparing new tables of life insurance, under which premiums may be paid fortnightly into any post-office.

It is proposed to establish a Corn Exchange in Melbourne, and to hold periodical markets throughout the country for the mutual convenience of farmers and millers.

For the representation of Mataura in the Assembly, Mr Shanks beat Mr Kinross by a small majority. Both candidates favor the Grey Ministry.

A Dunedin watchmaker was victimised the other day by purchasing a copper nugget represented as gold. The price given was £3, and the imitation perfect.

Several offers have been received by the Victorian Government from private persons to start on expeditions in search of the Kelly gang at a small remuneration.

At Oamaru, on 16th instant, a little girl aged five and a-half years, named Bissett, died from drinking half a bottle of brandy, inadvertently left within the child's reach.

At Auckland recently there died an old pensioner named Hill, who claimed to have been born in 1773, and who was with his regiment, the 51st, at Corunna and Waterloo.

A proposal has been made to establish a new bank in Melbourne, to be called "The Australian Gold and Estate Bank," to aid in the development of mining, farming, and manufactures.

Inquiries having been made as to the cause of Major Gordon, inspector of Volunteers, not having paid a visit of inspection to the South lately, it appears that he has been seriously ill for the last five months.

The *New Zealand Times* declares Mr Wood to be appointed to the Legislative Council, and calls on the Governor to resist making additional appointments to the Council till the Assembly has had time to consider whether the Council is to be destroyed in that way.

The agreement with Mr David Proudfoot for the construction and working of a tramway through the borough of South Dunedin has been duly signed by the Mayor and Councillors of that borough, and the seal of the Corporation affixed thereto.

The town of Blenheim is placarded with bills announcing a Government reward of £200 on the conviction of the person who set fire to the Government buildings in 1876. The Insurance Association offers £250; P. Lawrence, £100; and another settler £150, making in all £700.

The estimated value of rateable property in Dunedin for the year 1879 is £275,000. As showing the increased value of property, the following figures may be interesting:—In 1874 the value was £158,531; in 1875, £187,089; in 1876, £209,649; in 1877, £227,034; and in 1878, £249,695.

Considerable interest is being manifested amongst builders and contractors in Dunedin as to which firm will be the successful tenderers for the new Bank of New Zealand. The contract will be one of the largest ever undertaken in Otago, except for public buildings, and the amount is expected to be close upon £30,000.

Very good entries have been received for the Australian Cup and Newmarket Handicap. Le Loup and Trump Card are included in the Cup, and Le Loup in the Handicap. Wellington, Swiveller, Melita, Bosworth, Richmond, Warlock, Columbus, Glenormiston, and Aconite are all in the Cup, while in the Handicap there are 52 entries.

The *Oamaru Mail* of the 13th inst. warmly rates Mr Allan, the immigration agent, for refusing to receive the nominations of friends at Home for immigration made by respectable citizens, and says that his official humbug, circumlocution, and ignorance are inimical to the interests of the Immigration Department. It strongly advocates the appointment of a local immigration officer.

In New Zealand there are 114 newspapers, or one to every 3,635 of the population. In Victoria there are 151 newspapers, or one to every 5,628 of the population. In New South Wales there are 118 newspapers, or one for every 5,337 of the population. In the Australian colonies there are 472 newspapers, or one for every 5,932 of the population.

Dr Skae's report on the Mount View Lunatic Asylum (Wellington) has been published. The report is of a most sensational character, showing that the institution is scandalously overcrowded. Beds are made up in bath-rooms and other unusual places, and patients are wedged into small rooms—some so as to be scarcely able to move. He speaks of the impossibility of discipline under present circumstances, and of the disgusting practices of patients who are unable to be restrained by supervision, and says it would be an undeserved compliment to call it a prison. In no sense can it be called an asylum. He also refers to the danger of serious crimes, such as murder, &c., occurring through the disorganised state of the institution, and advises the Government that a circular should be sent to the magistrates of the district to instruct them not to commit any more patients to the asylum in its present condition.

SAN FRANCISCO MAIL NEWS.

EUROPEAN.

The Queen's speech on the opening of Parliament chiefly referred to the Afghan question. Earl Granville and Lord Hartington both criticised with some sharpness Lord Lytton's course towards the Ameer, but both urged that, as war had been commenced, ample encouragement and support should be given to the invading forces.

It is rumored that Alexandria, a seaport north of Syria, has been ceded by Turkey to England. The Derby cotton-mill at Boston was destroyed by fire. Loss, £25,000.

John Ruskin declines the Slade professorship of Oxford.

Dr Isaac Butt has been denounced by John O'Connor Power as a traitor to Home rule and the Irish cause.

The steamship *Pomerain* was run into by a Welsh collier named the *Nole Elhan*, of Carnarvon, off Folkestone. Thomas Blight, chief officer, says—"The *Pomerain* was going at a half to three-quarters speed. I heard no whistle or fog-horn. Our lights were all burning. All could have been saved if the sailors had not rushed the boats. 162 passengers were saved and 94 are missing."

The British Government have abandoned the intention to grant relief to the Rhodope fugitives.

Mr Tottenham, a Conservative, has been returned for New Ross, defeating Mr Delaney, a Home Ruler. Mr Gladstone intends to come forward as a candidate at Midlothian.

By a collision in the Mersey 15 persons were drowned from a ferry-boat.

O'Connor, the convicted Fenian, has been released from Spike Island.

William Henry Palmer, well known as B. Heller, the magician, is dead. He leaves £125 a-year to Haidee, who assisted him in his performance, £125 to his wife, and the balance of his wealth to his brother Angelo, of Hamilton, Victoria, Australia.

Sir F. M'Culloch, a Liberal, has been returned for Londonderry, beating Mr Alexander, Conservative.

Obituary: George Henry Lewes, the author; Alfred Wigan, author; Mrs Tait, the wife of the Archbishop of Canterbury; Captain White Melville, the novelist, who broke his neck in the hunting field; and Karl Ferdinand Gutzkow, the German dramatic poet.

The failures for the month are the Pilston Loan and Discount Company, with liabilities £60,000; Henry Taylor and Sons, grain and flour merchants, Glasgow, with liabilities £1,300,000; J. J. Fenton and Sons, private bankers, Rochdale; and Heywood Smith, Fleming and Co's liabilities (their failure was announced on October 3) are estimated at £3,000,000; James Ramsey, Dundee merchant, £80,000. The Caledonian Bank of Glasgow and the West of England and South Wales Banks have suspended. They propose to reconstruct the bank by assessing the individual stockholders. The Olessa Commercial Bank went into liquidation on the 14th. Fox, Walker, and Co., the Atlas Engine Works, Bristol, Zubina and Co., iron ore importers, of Cardiff and Newport, Wales; and M'Kean, Tiblev, and Co., merchants, of Bradford, have also failed. The latter's liabilities are £86,000.

AMERICAN.

An American swindler named William Griffin has been arrested in San Francisco for extensive forgeries on the Union Bank of London, in the shape of letters of credit passed on Baldwin, the mining millionaire and proprietor of Baldwin's Theatre.

The Marquis of Lorne was sworn in as Governor-General of Canada at Halifax on the 25th ult. There were great festivities on the occasion.

The American theatrical firm of Shook and Palmer has been dissolved. The former will become Police Commissioner of New York.

Napoleon Company, of Bridgeport (Conn.), has challenged O'Leary to a six days' walk. O'Leary has accepted it. William Muller, champion athlete, New York, has published a challenge to wrestle for 5000 lbs. aside, which M'Mahon, of New Jersey, has accepted. Weston proposes to walk in San Francisco 522 miles in 144 hours.

The Harvard Boat Club are enthusiastic in their determination to challenge the oarsmen of the two English Universities for an eight-oared race next summer.

Denis Kearney, the anti-Chinese agitator, was received, on his return to San Francisco, by a procession of nearly 5000 working men with banners and music.

Clara Louise Kellogg quarrelled with her manager because the new prima donna, Rita, eclipsed her in the estimation of the musical public.

The steamship *New Zealand*, from New York for Antwerp, returned on the 27th with her cargo on fire.

Virginia refused to observe Thanksgiving Day on President Hayes' proclamation.

Andrews Brothers, who went to Europe in the little cutter *Dory*, are coming back next spring in the same boat. They intend to build another in which to go to San Francisco, and thence across the Pacific to Australia.

Mrs Tilton has been formally expelled from the Beecher Church, at Brooklyn.

Orville Grant, brother of the ex-President, has been released from the insane asylum.

Mackay, the Bonanza king, has given Gilmore, the bandman, 150,000 dollars, to ensure the latter's European professional tour against loss.

A vendetta took place in Breathill County, in which a judge and several others were killed.

General Grant has concluded to visit Asia and British India before his return home, which will be by way of Australia, New Zealand and California.

Heavy floods have occurred in New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Vermont and New Hampshire, washing out the railway beds and doing a vast amount of damage otherwise.

Bayard Taylor, the traveller and author, formerly United States Minister to Germany, is dead from dropsy.

A mutiny occurred on board the British barque *Anaway*, on the voyage from New York to Trieste. The mate was killed, and others were wounded. The captain shot one of the mutineers.

SELECTIONS.

The Oldest Inhabitant Found.

At last, says a London journal, the oldest inhabitant has turned up. There is no doubt about the fairness of his claim to this title, and no chance that a rival will soon appear, for this venerable person's age exceeds by half a century even that of old Parr, who is perfectly well known to have beaten every other patriarch since the antediluvian days. It is, perhaps, a drawback that the newly discovered centenarian is an American—one is inclined to grudge that pushing and somewhat "stuck-up" continent the possession of all the biggest, oddest, and oldest as well as newest things. But there is no help for it in this case. We must bow to antiquity in the person of the very old fellow who has been described by the correspondent of a German paper. He resides in the Republic of Columbia—a State whose chief products seem to be tobacco, straw hats, monks, volcanoes, earthquakes—chiefly the last—and he is a half-caste, Miguel Solis by name. At a recent conference of physicians in Bogota, Dr Louis Hernandez told how he had interviewed the patriarch. Solis, it appears, is modest enough to claim an age of no more than 180, but his neighbors, all of whom, of course, have known him from infancy, repudiate the notion that he is such a youngster, and loudly assert that he has overpassed his second century. The evidence on this point, it must in candor be admitted, is not quite conclusive. The oldest inhabitants told Dr Hernandez that when they were boys Solis had the reputation of being more than a century old, and confirmation of this is said to be afforded by the fact that a signature which Solis recognises as his own appears amongst the list of contributors to the cost of erecting the Convent of San Sebastian in 1712, when he was a sprightly infant of fifty or thereabouts. But unfortunately as no witness of this interesting signature can be found in the natural course of things, the attestation turns upon old Solis' good faith or his memory, and, without being uncharitable, we may fear that one or the other is defective. For the rest, the aged curiosity is interesting enough. Dr Hernandez found him in good health and at work in his garden. "His skin resembled parchment, and his long snow white hair was wound around his head in turban fashion. His eyes gleamed so fixedly as to make his visitor feel uncomfortable when looked at." He attributed the length of his life to regular and moderate diet. He eats only one meal a day, that consists of strong and hearty food, to which he devotes himself assiduously for about half an hour at a stretch, having discovered that no man can eat more in half an hour than he can digest in 24 hours. But this is not all, for he fasts two whole days in every month, and then refreshes himself by copious draughts of cold water, which is probably more stimulating diet in those regions than it is in Europe. Finally, he always lets his food get cold before partaking of it, and he considers that this precaution has a great deal to do with the prolongation of his life. On the whole, however, one would like to know more about this parchment-skinned and weird-looking hermit of the Columbian wilds before crediting the statement that he came into the world just as Cromwell was leaving it, and that he was an octogenarian at the time of Culloden. The old fellow may be a practical joker, and may owe his highly effective "make up" to the monks of San Sebastian, who would be sure to enter into the fun of the thing.

He was an Inventor.

He came into this office the day before yesterday and asked to see the editor. He was an inventor, he informed that functionary, and he wanted the aid of the Press—the mighty Press—to get the greatest project of modern times on its legs, as it were. His idea was to start a grand Consolidated Milk Supply Company. A reservoir holding six million cubic feet of milk could be constructed anywhere up on the foothills, in the midst of a grazing farm calculated to feed say half a million of cows. These could be milked twice a day into the reservoir by machinery, and the cream be skimmed off the surface by outriggers attached to sailboats. Service pipes would conduct the liquid to the kitchens of every house in the neighboring cities, same as gas. It would run through a patent milk meter, which could be shut off in case of non-payment of bills, which would be modeled on the gas principle in the matter of charges. A corporation of this kind, the inventor went on to say, ought to pay 50 per cent dividends weekly. The editor replied the idea was a good one, but he couldn't consistently urge its adoption, on account of one fatal objection. A monopoly of the kind would throw out of employment a large and exceedingly dangerous class of criminals—the milkmen. Of course they would all be forced then to take to the road and rob openly. The stranger remarked that he would endeavor to study up some improvement that would cover the objection—asked the way to the Nevada Bank—and left. Pawnbrokers and others are earnestly requested to arrest any tall, thin, scientific-looking man with a red nose who endeavors to dispose of a green silk umbrella with an ivory handle, and report the same to this office. He struck us light, but we cannot spare that venerable office umbrella just yet.

A Dreadful Story.

There are some things too sacred to be given to the public for sixpence, but the following case of fiendish revenge ought to go on record, if only to make an important addition to the curiosities of crime:—On Sutter-street, between Mason and Leavenworth, stands the house of one of the prettiest young ladies in town, and almost opposite is the residence of her "steady company," a young broker's clerk. The infatuated couple had conceived the idea of connecting their rooms by means of a string telephone stretching from one window to the other, and the ends of which were placed under their respective pillows when they retired. By this contrivance a general tug, at irregular intervals during the night, was all that was necessary to inform one fond heart on the north side of the street the other on the south had just awakened, and before sinking again into blissful dreams desired to soo a few nocturnal murmurs to the other. These tender preparations were, however, gloomily marked by another gentleman in the neighborhood, who, we regret to say, had been heartlessly jilted by the same young lady a short time previous. The very first night this scientific love-making was in progress, the discarded youth repaired late to the spot with some dissolute companions, and managed to climb up and cut the cord in the middle. They then attached longer pieces to the two ends, and ran them through the window of the bar-room at the corner below. And there they sat, sending remarks redolent of love and whisky, first on one string and then the other, and listening with demoniac chuckles and bacchanalian roars to the sleepy but mellifluous taffy that trickled back in reply. The dreadful truth might never have leaked out, however, if the young lover had not been electrified, at 3 a.m., by a maudlin request to "Cheese it, Cully!" while the young lady was paralyzed by a sarcastic summons to "pull down her vest." It does hardly seem possible that such outrages can be committed in a city protected by over 8,000 militia.—American paper.

The Earl of Kellin was relating an account of a sermon which he had heard in Italy; and in which the preacher described the alleged miracle of St Anthony preaching to the fishes; and in which his hearers were so much entranced by his eloquence that they actually held their heads up out of water. "I can believe the miracle," said Henry Erskine, "if your lordship was at church." "I was certainly there," replied the earl. "Then," said Erskine, "there was at least one fish out of water."

Accidents will happen. In a public reading room the other day a gentleman, after perusing an illustrated newspaper, handed it to another, with a whisper that it contained the portraits of the Kelly gang. Immediately on his taking up the newspaper, the second gentleman looked at the illustration on the front page, and exclaimed—"Oh Lord, what a bad-looking set of vagabonds they are!" On bringing his glasses to bear upon the type, however, the second gentleman concluded he should have turned over a page or two, as he found that the faces which had not prepossessed him were those of the Ministry of New Zealand.

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be taken to purify the blood and regulate its

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The silent doctor shook his head.

"While there is life there's hope," he cried.

"Ergoto, dum animas est, spes est."

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On all affections of the Nervous System

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On all broken-down constitutions.

On all diseases arising from early indiscre-

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On Gout.

On Rheumatism.

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with fearful interest.

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The sole idea should be the chances we possess

of remedying the ills we already have, or com-

bating the effects likely to result. Hide it as

he may, put on as good an exterior as he can,

still is the victim conscious that he is a living

lie, and that sooner or later his vices will discov-

er him to the world. Our Faith, our obliga-

tions to society at large, the welfare of our

future offspring, and the duty we owe to our-

selves forbids procrastination, and points out to

us not to wait till the ravages break out in our

constitutions.

Before negotiating with a merchant, before en-

gaging with a confidential clerk, before employ-

ing a barister, a careful man makes enquiries as

to their standing, their length of occupancy or

residence; and, in the case of a legal adviser,

both as to his legal qualifications and to his ca-

pabilities of transacting the individual business he

consults him upon. Strange to say, however,

in the selection of a medical man, the sufferer

frequently omits these necessary precautions and

without regard to the fitness, qualification, ex-

perience and ability for the particular ailment

requiring treatment, he consults the nearest

man, whose experience and practice, perhaps,

lies in quite an opposite direction.

Is it astonishing that so many are driven mad,

are ruined in health, and are bankrupt in spirits,

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various nostrums they are selling,—such as Phos-

phodyne, Essence of Life, &c.—and had them

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sugar and flavoring matter," and the certificates

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